

COVID-19

GUIDE TO FINANCIAL SUPPORT

WINZ BENEFITS

WINZ may be able to provide financial support even if you're not on a benefit.

Work and Income can help you:

- If you can't work or have lost your job
- If you can't pay your bills
- If you need food, clothing and/or bedding
- If you are forced to move house





They may ask for other personal details to make sure they have the right information in front of them while they talk with you.





You can call WINZ and speak to someone on the language line in Arabic. Farsi and Khmer.

Read, listen or watch the following:

INTERPRETERS

You can ask for an interpreter. Say "interpreter," then the language you speak.

MAIN BENEFITS INCREASE

From 1 April 2020 all main benefits will increase by \$25 per week.

This increase to the after-tax rate will apply to:

- Jobseeker Support
- Sole Parent Support
- Supported Living Payment
- Young Parent Payment
- Youth Payment



INFORMATION FOR EMPLOYERS

The Government has put together a COVID-19 Wage Subsidy for employers in all regions. This will support businesses which are impacted by COVID-19 and face laying off staff or reducing their hours.

Click here for more information about the Wage Subsidy

Leave Payment

The COVID-19 Leave Payment is available to support people financially if they:

- · Can't work because they are sick with COVID-19, or
- Can't work because they are caring for dependents who are required to selfisolate or are sick with COVID-19.

Employers will be able to apply for this more than once.

It will be paid to employers who have eligible employees and they must pass the payment onto their employees in full.

For up-to-date information about COVID-19 in New Zealand, visit www.covid19.govt.nz

